## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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JULIUS JACOB LUDWIG,
Petitioner,
v.

ISIDRO BACA, et al.,
Respondents.

This is a counseled habeas matter. Before the Court is Petitioner Julius Jacob Ludwig's Motion for Dismissal of Ground Seven (ECF No. 39).

On July 31, 2020, the Court found Ludwig's Second Amended Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 16) ("Second Amended Petition") to be mixed, containing both exhausted and unexhausted claims. (ECF No. 37.) The Court informed him of his three options: (1) file a motion to dismiss seeking partial dismissal of only the unexhausted claims; (2) file a motion to dismiss the entire petition without prejudice in order to return to state court to exhaust the unexhausted claims; and/or (3) file a motion for other appropriate relief, such as a motion for a stay and abeyance that asks this Court to hold his exhausted claims in abeyance while he returns to state court to exhaust the unexhausted claims. (*Id.*)

Ludwig filed the current motion informing the Court of his intent to dismiss his unexhausted claim—Ground Seven—and pursue his remaining claims. No opposition having been filed by Respondents and the time for doing so having expired, therefore the Court grants Ludwig's Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 39).

It is therefore ordered that Ground Seven of the Second Amended Petition is dismissed without prejudice as unexhausted and by Ludwig's request.

It is further ordered that Respondents will have until November 2, 2020, to answer

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the remaining claims of the Second Amended Petition. It is further ordered that Ludwig will have 30 days following service of the answer to file and serve a reply brief. It is further ordered that, notwithstanding LR IC 2-2(g), paper copies of any electronically filed exhibits need not be provided to chambers or to the staff attorney, unless later directed by the Court. All other instructions set forth in the Court's December 2018 order (ECF No. 13) remain in effect. DATED THIS 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2020. MIRANDA M. DU CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE